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1. The Sondershausen (M 52/D 11) area was observed on 7 and 8 August 1950. There was no airfield. Since the area is undulated and hilly it would not be possible for aircraft to take off and land there. Five residents of Stockhausen (M 52/D 11) said that they had never seen or heard of an airfield in the area. None of the roads leading to the north are blocked. The residents said that the nearest airfield is near Esperstedt (M 52/D 31). *
2. The airfield at Esperstedt was destroyed and the landing field was being farmed. An occupation by aircraft was not possible. **

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- * Comment. previously reported that an airfield occupied by single-engine planes was near Sondershausen. According to the present report, however, the previous information was wrong.
- ** Comment. No information has been received that the Esperstedt airfield is occupied.

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